



## 1. Prepare to Apply

### Quick Tips

- If you need help, consumer assistance options are available:
  - Contact our call center toll-free at 855-642-8572
  - [Find your local consumer assistance organization](#)
  - [Authorized insurance brokers](#)
- [Checklist](#) of what you will need to apply
- See if you qualify for [financial assistance or Medicaid](#)
- No financial assistance? You can enroll directly with [participating insurance companies](#)

Learn more:



## 2. Create Your Account

### Quick Tips:

- Only one account is needed per household
- Create account in the name of the primary applicant – the primary applicant must be applying for insurance
- Use the full legal name of the primary applicant when creating the account
- If you experience page-loading issues, try a different browser and clearing your browser cache
- Need a password reset or help with username or security questions? [Read this guide](#)

### Try IT!

1. Open Internet browser
2. Type <http://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov> into browser
3. Click **Login**
4. Click **Get Started** button



## 3. Submit an Application

### Quick Tips:

- Be sure your name and information are the same as on your account
- You must include a phone number for the primary applicant
- Prior to enrolling in a plan, the application must be signed and submitted

Learn more:



### Try IT!

After logging into your account:

1. Select appropriate application:
  - Application for Financial Assistance
  - Application without Financial Assistance
2. Complete all required information
3. Click [Sign & Submit](#)

[Click here for account creation guide](#)



Apply for Financial Assistance

Apply Without Financial Assistance

## 4. Select a Health Plan

### Quick Tips:

Learn more:



- Use our [provider search](#) to find doctors by name, insurance plans, and more
- After signing and submitting an application, you can enroll in a health plan
- Understanding Metal Levels of Plans
  - Bronze – With a Bronze plan, you'll likely pay a lower premium but you'll pay a higher share of costs when you get care.
  - Silver — Also called the “Benchmark” plan. Only Silver plans are eligible for cost-sharing reductions
  - Gold or Platinum — Likely pay a higher premium, but may have lower costs when you go to the doctor or use another medical service.
- Enrolling in Medicaid? [Compare MCOs](#)
- Look for available plans and costs without entering your personal info: [mdlookup.healthsherpa.com](http://mdlookup.healthsherpa.com)

### Try IT!

After logging into your account at [www.marylandhealthconnection.gov](http://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov)

1. Click Resume Application ribbon
2. Click Resume Application link

Your Healthcare Options screen appears showing your subsidy and cost-sharing reduction information

3. Click Select Health Plan button



[Click here for enrollment guide](#)

## 5. Payment for Qualified Health Plans

### Quick Tips:

- Insurance company will send you a bill
- Contact insurance company if you do not receive the bill
- Pay bill before 15<sup>th</sup> of the month your insurance starts. Learn more about [making payments](#)

## 6. Share Your Story

Tell us how getting covered has helped you!



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